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ELECTION 2016

Carson defends his remarks on Muslims

On trip to region, candidate blames 'P.C. culture'

By Chris Stewart and Kelli Wynn Staff Writers

DAYTON — During two local visits Tuesday, Republican presidential candidate Ben Carson blamed a "P.C. culture" for the backlash he's getting about comments that a Muslim wouldn't be fit to sit in the Oval Office.

Before an afternoon campaign rally at Cedarville University, the retired neurosurgeon reiterated that anyone wanting to be president must embrace the Constitution and American principles. He also said he would oppose any Christian for president with their sights on a theocracy.

"We should be proud of who we are and there's no way we should be giving away all of our values and principles to try to be politically correct and to be like somebody else," said Carson. "It is true that we are not a theocracy, and I don't want us to be a theocracy, but it is also true that our Constitution and our country's traditions have a Judeo-Christian base. ... It's throughout our fabric ... and there's no way we should be ashamed of it."

Some area Muslims say Carson, a Seventh-day Adventist,

Carson continued on A10



Republican presidential candidate Ben Carson held a rally at Cedarville University on Tuesday. He also made stops in Sharonville and at the University of Dayton. LISA POWELL / STAFF

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Like our new Ohio Politics Facebook page and follow our team on Twitter at @Ohio_Politics and let us know what you think of Carson's comments.

COMPLETE COVERAGE

We had teams at Ben Carson's events in Cedarville, Dayton and Sharonville. Go to DaytonDailyNews.com for photos, videos and more.

CARSON LIVE ON WHIO RADIO

Ben Carson will talk to Miami Valley's Morning News host Larry Hansgen at 8:30 this morning on AM1290 and News 95.7 WHIO. Stream it live at whio.com

JOBS & ECONOMY

Many Ohio jobs go unfilled

Experts: Slack stems from unmet demand for unskilled labor.

By Randy Tucker Staff Writer

State and local jobless rates in Ohio have plummeted to their lowest levels in decades as more people find jobs, but the driving force behind the historically low rates continues to be the sharp decline in the number of people in the labor force.

Unemployment rates in Ohio and Montgomery County both fell to 14-year lows last month: 4.7 percent for the state, and 4.3 percent for the county, according to figures released Tuesday by the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services. Meanwhile, Dayton's August jobless rate of 5.2 percent was the city's lowest rate in more than 25 years, jobs data shows.

Still, thousands of job openings have gone unfilled for months while a large share of working-age Ohioans sit on the labor market sidelines.

There were a total of 194,177 job openings posted online in Ohio for the 12 months ended in July — an increase of 13,265 from the same period a year

Jobs continued on A5

JOBS & ECONOMY HEROIN ADDICTION

DeWine: Heroin a threat to economy

Employers find many job applicants unable to get past drug test.

By Thomas Gnau Staff Writer

BEAVERCREEK — Most public addresses on workforce development focus on job skills and post-layoffs job training.

Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine took the subject in a different direction Tuesday in a speech at the Advanced Technical Intelligence Center (ATIC).

DeWine focused on heroin addiction as a threat not only to families, but to economic flourishing. Many employers with whom he speaks report that an alarming number of job applicants, faced with the prospect of a drug test, will decline to pursue a job, he said. Or they will take a drug test and fail anyway.



Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine says heroin is "a terrible thing" for the state.

"The biggest drug problem we have in the state of Ohio today is heroin — heroin-slash-opiates," DeWine told an audience at the ATIC auditorium off Hibiscus Way. "It is unlike any drug problem I've seen in my lifetime."

The problem goes beyond the pain heroin causes individuals and families, he said. "We at least ought to look at it from an economic point of view, what a terrible thing it is for the state of Ohio," the former Greene County prosecutor said.

DeWine continued on A7

CONTINUING COVERAGE POPE'S U.S. VISIT



In a rare honor, Pope Francis was met on the red-carpet tarmac at Andrews Air Force Base by President Barack Obama. CHIP SOMODEVILLA / GETTY IMAGES

Francis arrives in U.S., faces polarized country

Pope to speak to Congress, prisoners, youths, the homeless.

By Nicole Winfield and Rachel Zoll Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Pope Francis arrived Tuesday on the first visit of his life to the United States, bringing his humble manner and his "church of the poor" to a rich and powerful nation polarized over disputes about

economic inequality, immigration and equal justice.

According to a rare honor to the pontiff, President Barack Obama and his wife and daughters met Francis on the red-carpeted tarmac at Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland after the pope's chartered plane touched down from Cuba.

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